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Ms. Velma T. Smith
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Dear Ms. Smith:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Barclays Bank PLC, American Depositary Shares, Series 5 (Each representing one Non-Cumulative Callable Dollar Preference Shares, Series 5) and Non-Cumulative Callable Dollar Preference Shares, Series 5, (application for the Non-Cumulative Callable Dollar Preference Shares, Series 5, is made for listing, not for trading, but only in connection with the registration of American Depositary Shares, Series 5 pursuant to the requirements of the New York Stock Exchange) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on May 8, 2008. Tentative listing date – May 9, 2008.

Sincerely,

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